

## Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 ABIDJA 04923 121030Z

11

ACTION AF-06

INFO OCT-01 EUR-12 NEA-10 IO-10 ISO-00 CIAE-00 DODE-00

PM-03 H-02 INR-07 L-03 NSAE-00 NSC-05 PA-01 PRS-01

SP-02 SS-15 USIA-06 SAM-01 /085 W

----- 013633

R 111212Z JUN 75

FM AMEMBASSY ABIDJAN

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 3720

INFO AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA

AMEMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM

AMEMBASSY ALGIERS

AMEMBASSY PRETORIA

AMEMBASSY MONROVIA

AMEMBASSY DAKAR

AMEMBASSY PARIS

AMEMBASSY LONDON

AMEMBASSY LAGOS

USMISSION USUN NEW YORK

C O N F I D E N T I A L ABIDJAN 4923

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OAU, IV, TZ, SF, PFOR

SUBJECT: IVORIAN VIEWS ON DAR-ES-SALAAM DECLARATION ON SOUTHERN  
AFRICA

REF: A. ADDIS ABABA 5772; B. ADDIS ABABA 5784; C. DAR ES SALAAM 1176  
(REPEATED AS STATE 114983)

1. AMBASSADOR CALLED ON IVORIAN FOREIGN MINISTER ARSENE USHER  
ASSOUAN ON JUNE 10 TO DISCUSS VARIOUS MATTERS. THIS WAS FIRST  
OPPORTUNITY SINCE DAR ES SALAAM OAU FM MEETING TO TALK WITH  
USHER, SINCE HE HAD BEEN OUT OF ABIDJAN FOR A MONTH AFTER DAR  
MEETING.

2. USHER MADE CLEAR THAT IVORY COAST DOES NOT CONSIDER ITSELF  
BOUND BY ANY OAU RESOLUTION WHICH INTERFERES WITH ITS SOVEREIGNTY.

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 ABIDJA 04923 121030Z

CASE HE SAID HE MADE IN DAR WAS THAT ALL EFFORTS AT DIALOGUE

OR CONTACT HELP KEEP SOUTH AFRICA AWARE OF STRONG BLACK AFRICAN FEELINGS.

3. HE SAID THAT AT ONE POINT HE KIDDED TANZANIAN FOREIGN MINISTER MALECELA OVER THE FACT THAT LATTER HAD NEGOTIATED WITH VORSTER, AND MIGHT EVEN HAVE HAD A MEAL WITH HIM, EVEN THOUGH IVORY COAST HAD BEEN DISCUSSING DIALOGUE SINCE 1971 AND USHER HAD NEVER MET VORSTER. (THIS IS BORNE OUT BY ALL REPORTS WE HAD OF THE SEPTEMBER 1974 YAMOUSSOUKRO MEETING OF HOUPHOUET, SENGHOR AND VORSTER, THAT USHER WAS NOT PRESENT.) USHER ASKED MALECELA WHETHER LATTER HAD SAID ANYTHING TO VORSTER ABOUT APARTHEID AND ASSURED MALECELA THAT HE, USHER, WOULD HAVE RAISED IT ON SUCH AN OCCASION EVEN THOUGH MAIN TOPIC UNDER DISCUSSION WAS RHODESIA.

4. USHER WAS CRITICAL OF WAY IN WHICH MEETING IN DAR LEAKED INCOMPLETE AND NOT-YET-APPROVED RESOLUTIONS TO THE PRESS. IT PUT UNDUE PRESSURE ON THE DELEGATES.

5. FOR THE REST, HE CITED FAMILIAR IVORIAN POSITION ON THE IMPORTANCE OF PEACEFUL SOLUTION TO THE PROBLEMS OF SOUTH AFRICA AND SUGGESTION THAT A FEW SIGNIFICANT STEPS TO BREAK DOWN APARTHEID, SUCH AS ACCEPTING A MINORITY OF MEMBERS OF PARLIAMENT FROM THE BLACKS, WOULD GO A LONG WAY TO CHANGE BLACK AFRICAN ATTITUDES TOWARD SOUTH AFRICA. SMITH

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

## Message Attributes

**Automatic Decaptioning:** X  
**Capture Date:** 01 JAN 1994  
**Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Current Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED  
**Concepts:** RACIAL DISCRIMINATION, RESOLUTIONS, EMBARGOES, GOVERNMENT REACTIONS  
**Control Number:** n/a  
**Copy:** SINGLE  
**Draft Date:** 11 JUN 1975  
**Decaption Date:** 01 JAN 1960  
**Decaption Note:**  
**Disposition Action:** RELEASED  
**Disposition Approved on Date:**  
**Disposition Authority:** RowellE0  
**Disposition Case Number:** n/a  
**Disposition Comment:** 25 YEAR REVIEW  
**Disposition Date:** 28 MAY 2004  
**Disposition Event:**  
**Disposition History:** n/a  
**Disposition Reason:**  
**Disposition Remarks:**  
**Document Number:** 1975ABIDJA04923  
**Document Source:** CORE  
**Document Unique ID:** 00  
**Drafter:** n/a  
**Enclosure:** n/a  
**Executive Order:** GS  
**Errors:** N/A  
**Film Number:** D750204-1268  
**From:** ABIDJAN  
**Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Image Path:**  
**ISecure:** 1  
**Legacy Key:** link1975/newtext/t19750658/aaaacbab.tel  
**Line Count:** 86  
**Locator:** TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM  
**Office:** ACTION AF  
**Original Classification:** CONFIDENTIAL  
**Original Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Original Previous Classification:** n/a  
**Original Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Page Count:** 2  
**Previous Channel Indicators:** n/a  
**Previous Classification:** CONFIDENTIAL  
**Previous Handling Restrictions:** n/a  
**Reference:** 75 ADDIS ABABA 5772, 75 ADDIS ABABA 5784, 75 DAR ES SALAAM 1176  
**Review Action:** RELEASED, APPROVED  
**Review Authority:** RowellE0  
**Review Comment:** n/a  
**Review Content Flags:**  
**Review Date:** 23 MAY 2003  
**Review Event:**  
**Review Exemptions:** n/a  
**Review History:** RELEASED <23 MAY 2003 by ifshinsr>; APPROVED <04 NOV 2003 by RowellE0>  
**Review Markings:**

Margaret P. Grafeld  
Declassified/Released  
US Department of State  
EO Systematic Review  
06 JUL 2006

**Review Media Identifier:**  
**Review Referrals:** n/a  
**Review Release Date:** n/a  
**Review Release Event:** n/a  
**Review Transfer Date:**  
**Review Withdrawn Fields:** n/a  
**Secure:** OPEN  
**Status:** NATIVE  
**Subject:** IVORIAN VIEWS ON DAR-ES-SALAAM DECLARATION ON SOUTHERN AFRICA  
**TAGS:** PFOR, IV, TZ, SF, OAU  
**To:** STATE  
**Type:** TE  
**Markings:** Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 06 JUL 2006